

To the FCC: I strongly object to the adoption of any "broadcast flag" technology regulation, and I urge you to oppose it. As a tax-payer, voter, and legitimate consumer of broadcast materials, I believe it is a poorly thought out proposal, and one that would have significantly negative consequences.

I believe that the established principle of "fair use" would be hindered by such regulation, and it would likely force consumers to buy unneeded new equipment. It would also unfairly affect small manufacturers. Most of all, it is probably not an effective deterrent to the distribution of materials on the internet. If the goal is to address that issue, I believe you have an obligation to consider other means that are fair and do not penalize consumers.

Thank you for your attention.